

Friday, May 25, 1917.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 24 was corrected and approved as corrected.

By unanimous consent, the daily Journal of Friday, May 18th, is corrected to include the Governor's message, transmitting—

Senate Act (Being Senate Bill No. 257.)

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 6878 of the Laws of Florida, being "An Act to appoint Naval Stores Inspectors, to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation, to prevent and prohibit adulteration of spirits of turpentine and naval stores, and to provide for the appointment and duties and compensation of a supervising inspector of naval stores, and to prescribe forfeitures and penalties for violating, and methods for the enforcement of the provisions of this Act," approved June 5, 1915.

With his objections to said Act.

And the Journal of that date is hereby corrected to read as follows:

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Executive Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 15, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

In pursuance of the provisions of Section 28 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Florida, I return

herewith without my approval the following measure, which originated in the Senate:

"An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 6878 of the Laws of Florida, being 'An Act to appoint Naval Stores Inspectors, to prescribe their duties and fix their compensation, to prevent and prohibit adulteration of spirits of turpentine and naval stores, and to provide for the appointment and duties and compensation of a Supervising Inspector of Naval Stores, and to prescribe forfeitures and penalties for violating, and methods for the enforcement of the provisions of this Act, approved June 5, 1915.'"

My objections to this measure are as follows:

The change in the statute proposed by this amendment is to require inspectors of naval stores to inspect spirits of turpentine or rosin in barrels or bulk of one hundred pounds or more *within ten days* from the date of notice to such inspectors of the desire of the producer to sell or ship such products instead of *within twenty days* as now provided by the statute.

This change is, in my opinion, unnecessary. It is to be presumed that the inspectors will make the inspection required at the earliest practicable date after receipt of the notice required to be given, but if the inspection cannot be made within the time prescribed the product may be sold or shipped out of the State without being inspected. If the time given is so short that inspection cannot, with the force available, be made, the result will be that the product will be put on the market without inspection to the detriment of the industry.

This being true, it is best, I think, that the statute be left as it is, and I am, therefore, constrained to withhold my approval from the bill.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Terrell, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 401:

A Bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the publication of petitions for Special Elections."

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

GLENN TERRELL,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 401, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 381:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1864 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, prescribing the form of Subpoenas in Chancery.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 381, contained in above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 398:

A Bill to be entitled An Act amending Section 3317 of the General Statutes of Florida, relative to embezzlement by State, county or municipal officers.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 398, contained in above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Terrell, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 361:

A Bill to be entitled An Act concerning elections and permitting absent voters to vote by mail.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 34:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 6469, Laws of 1913, the same being "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections."

Have had the same under consideration and report same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,
GLENN TERRELL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 361 and Senate Bill No. 34, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 220.)

An Act authorizing the Board of Supervisors of a drainage district to pay for membership in the Florida Drainage Association.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 50.)

An Act relating to back taxes, tax liens and tax sale certificates; providing for the payment, cancellation and surrender thereof and fixing the interest to be collected thereon in lieu of existing interest, penalties and costs.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 518.)

An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the city of Titusville, Brevard county, Florida, in addition to the present city charter, and prescribing a method for the levy and collection of a per capita or commutation street tax and to provide penalties for violations of this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 373.)

An Act making it unlawful for the owner of, or the person having the care, custody or control of any hog or

hogs to permit or allow the same to run at large on the following described land in Manatee county, Florida, for providing a penalty for the violation of this Act and providing for the disposition of such hog or hogs: Begin at the NW corner of Section 1, Township 35 S. Range 17 E., and run south one-half mile to half section line in said Section 1, making the point thus reached the point of beginning, thence run east to section line, between Sections three and four of Twp. 35 S. Range 18 E., thence south to the NW corner of Section 22, Twp. 35 S., Range 18 E., thence East to SW corner of Section 13, Twp. 35 S. Range 18 E., thence south to the NW corner of Section 25, Twp. 35 S., Range 18 E., thence east to range line between Ranges 18 and 19, thence south on said range line to Twp. line between Townships 35 and 36, thence west on said township line to the SW corner of Section 36, Twp. 35 S. Range 17 E., thence north to the point of beginning, the tract thus embraced being known as Oneco Election Precinct No. 16 of Manatee county, Florida.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

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Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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Mr. Terrell, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 394:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 52, Chapter 6469, of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections, approved June 3, 1913," as amended by Chapter 6874 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to amend Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 40, 44, 45, 52, 55 and 63, and repeal Sections 64 and 65 of Chapter 6469 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections," approved June 4, 1915."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 215:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 6 of An Act amending Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 40, 44, 45, 52, 55 and 63, and repealing Sections 64 and 65 of Chapter 6469 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections," approved June 4, 1915.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 311:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 6239, Acts of 1911, relating to elections to change county sites, by providing a method of contest of such elections.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 416:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 63, Chapter 6469, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections," approved June

3, 1913, as amended by Chapter 6874 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to amend Sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 40, 44, 45, 52, 55 and 63, and repeal Sections 64 and 65 of Chapter 6469, of the Laws of Florida," entitled "An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections," approved June 4, 1915.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that they do not pass.

Very respectfully,

GLENN TERRELL,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 394, 215, 311 and 416, contained in the above report, were placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 374:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the inspection of all privately owned institutions, including all reformatories, detention homes, sectarian schools, seminaries, convents, monasteries, houses of Good Shepherds, or other institutions of similar character; and to prohibit involuntary servitude or forcible detention; providing for the enforcement of this Act and prescribing penalties for the violation of same.

Have had same under consideration and beg to recommend the following substitute:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the inspection of all hospitals, sanitoriums, public and private schools and institutions, nunneries and houses of Good Shepherd within this State.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 374, with Senate Committee Substitute Bill therefor, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 560:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring the reading of the Bible in public schools, permitting the offering of prayer therein, etc.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 560, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Terrell, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 24, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Privileges and Elections, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 584:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections in this State, and prescribing penalties for any violations thereof.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend the following Committee Substitute:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and regulate primary elections in this State, and to impose penalties for the violations thereof.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,
GLENN TERRELL,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 584, with the Senate Committee Substitute therefor, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 388:

A Bill to be entitled An Act amending Sections ten (10) and fifty-one (51) of Chapter 6458, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, relating to the drainage and reclamation of lands in the State of Florida.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 388, contained in above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Terrell—
Senate Bill No. 570:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 6239 of the Laws of Florida, as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 6480 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for the change and establishing of county sites, calling elections for and prescribing the regulations under which such elections shall be held, and providing a penalty for the use of money, goods, or chattels to secure votes or influence for any place as county site in

such election, and specifying who shall vote in the said election."

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

By Mr. Terrell—
Senate Bill No. 571:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for bond to cover the costs in certain criminal prosecutions instituted in the courts of justices of the peace and county judges, in the various counties of the State.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. Hughlett—
Senate Bill No. 572:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing time warrants, not to exceed sixty per cent of the general fund and sixty per cent of the maintenance fund of all special road and bridge districts in Brevard County, Florida, for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 572 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 572 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 572 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 572 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Alexander—
Senate Bill No. 573:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Town of Holly Hill, State of Florida, to levy an annual municipal tax of not exceeding fifteen (15) mills.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 573 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 573 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 573 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 573 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Gornto—
Senate Bill No. 574:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to validate and make legal all outstanding county warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, prior to Jan. 2, 1917, and all warrants that may hereafter be issued by said Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of taking up, or repaying any of such warrants heretofore issued.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 574 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 574 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 574 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 574 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Farris—
Senate Bill No. 575:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix the number, prescribe the terms of office of the Justices of the Supreme Court, and to provide for the appointment of another Justice of said court, and to fix his term of office and for the election of his successor, and to prescribe certain regulations for the government of the Supreme Court when sitting in a body or in division.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20:

A Resolution providing for the designation of three taxpayers of the State to ascertain and report to the Legislature at its next session information and recommendations as will aid in perfecting measures to equalize and reduce the burdens of taxation.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives are authorized to designate

three taxpayers of this State who shall, without compensation, carefully consider matters relative to taxation in this State and report to the Legislature at its next session such data and recommendations as they may deem to be useful in perfecting measures designed for the equalization and reduction of the taxes imposed for State and county purposes.

Was taken up in its order and was read the second time.

Mr. Farris offered the following Substitute for Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20:

Substitute for Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20:

A Concurrent Resolution providing for the designation of nine tax payers of the State of Florida to ascertain and report to the Legislature at its next session such information and recommendations as will aid in the drafting and perfecting of a measure to equalize and reduce the burdens of taxation, and perfect the tax laws of this State.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and required within sixty days from this date, to designate nine tax payers of this State, who shall come from and represent respectively, the farming lands, the mining and manufacturing properties, the transportation properties, the citrus fruit properties, the turpentine properties, the banking interest, the live stock properties, the merchandise interests, and the city properties, and who shall, without compensation, carefully consider matters relative to taxation in this State, and who shall report to the Legislature at its next session such data and recommendations as they may deem would be useful in perfecting measures designed for the equalization and reduction of taxes to be imposed, and for the perfecting of the tax laws of said State.

The said committee shall, as soon as possible after appointment, meet and organize, and may hold public hearings at such points for the purpose of gathering data and information as it may deem to the best interest of the people of this State.

Mr. Farris moved to adopt the above substitute for Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 20, in lieu of the original. Which was agreed to.

And the Substitute took the place of the original Resolution.

The question was put upon the adoption of the Resolution as substituted.

Which was agreed to.

And the Substitute Concurrent Resolution as adopted was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Memorial No. 4:

Memorial to the Congress of the United States of America, That the Federal Aid Road Act approved July 11, A. D. 1916, entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," be amended so as to allow the use of Federal Aid Roads on roads of military importance, whether or not such roads are used as rural post roads.

Whereas, An Act of the Congress of the United States of America, approved July 11, A. D. 1916, known as the "Federal Aid Road Act," the same being entitled, "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads and for other purposes," provides in Section 6 thereof, "that any State desiring to avail itself of the benefits of this Act shall, by its State Highway Department, submit to the Secretary of Agriculture project statements setting forth proposed construction of any rural post road or roads therein;" and

Whereas, the State Road Department of Florida is officially advised that in correspondence between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of War of the United States, it has been practically decided that in view of the present national crisis, and the urgent need for through roads suitable for military purposes, that the use of the Federal aid to the several States would be to a large extent limited to the improvement of such roads as would meet the above named requirements; and

Whereas, the through roads of the State of Florida, such as would be of military importance, are used to a very limited extent as rural post roads; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida, now in session, That the Congress of the United States

of America, now in session in Washington, D. C., be and is hereby respectfully requested to so amend the Federal Aid Road Act, approved July 11, 1916, that the Federal Aid for road improvement may be applicable to through roads which are or may be of military importance, whether or not said roads are used or likely to become used as rural post roads; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Memorial be forwarded to the Florida delegation in the Congress of the United States, and that the members of said delegation be, and are hereby requested and urged to use their utmost endeavors to secure the enactment of such amendment to the Federal Road Act.

Was taken up in its order and was read the second time.

The question was put and the Memorial was adopted.

And the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Terrell moved that House Bill No. 584 and Substitute for House Bill No. 584 be made a special order for Saturday, 10:30 o'clock, and House Bill No. 361 a special order for Saturday at 10:30, 200 copies of Substitute for House Bill No. 584 to be printed.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Mr. Wells moved that 200 copies of House Bill No. 763 be printed.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

By unanimous consent—

The following bills were introduced:

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 576:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the reserve fund of State banks.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 577:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the protection of deer in St. Johns County, Florida, and prescribing what months shall constitute an open season for hunting said deer in said county.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 577 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 577 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 577 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 577 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 578:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants and to provide for the application of the funds derived from such issue and sale.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 578 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 578 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 578 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 578 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 579:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County to change or alter the Commissioners' District of said County and prescribing the method therefor.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 579 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 579 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 579 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 579 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Terrell—

Senate Bill No. 580:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of J. M. Mef-

fert, R. S. Hall, W. T. Gary, J. P. Phillips, Clarence Camp, J. M. Tison, G. W. Neville, D. B. Kibler, J. A. Grumbles, R. H. Sanders, William Griffith, E. L. Wartmann, W. J. Crosby, T. I. Arnold, S. H. Martin, N. H. Boswell, S. H. Blitch, D. E. McIver and J. F. Cocowitch, sureties on the bond of the late John M. Graham, formerly Treasurer of Marion County, Florida, and authorizing the legal representative of the estate of said John M. Graham to pay to the above named persons their pro rata part of any moneys coming into the hands of such legal representative to which Marion County may be entitled.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Terrell moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 580 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 580 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Terrell moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 580 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 580 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Shepard, Terrell, Willis, Wilson—23.

Nays—Senators Igou, McEachern, Turner—3.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Crawford—

Senate Bill No. 581:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the expenditure by the City of Sanford, Florida, of any and all moneys paid to the City of Sanford by the Trustees of Special Tax School District No. 1, Seminole County, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 581 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 581 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 581 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 581 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas — Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—25.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Crawford—

Senate Bill No. 582:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the levy of an annual maintenance tax upon lands in the Black Hammock Drainage District, a drainage district in Seminole County Florida, and authorizing the collection of said tax.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 582 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 582 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Crawford moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 582 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 582 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Mac-

Williams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By Mr. Igou—

Senate Bill No. 583:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the catching of fish with seines, gill nets, drag nets or trot lines in the ponds, lakes, creeks, rivers or bayous of Lake County, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 583 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 583 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 583 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 583 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read—

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 312:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for an additional Assistant State Auditor, prescribing his powers and duties and fixing his compensation.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 312, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Bills without reference, the rules being waived.

Mr. Roland moved to waive the rules and that the Senate proceed to the consideration of Local Bills.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider—

BILLS ON THE LOCAL CALENDAR.

Senate Bill No. 540 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 546: :

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 7131 of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being An Act entitled: "An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in addition to its present town charter, and prescribing a method for the issuance of bonds in said town, and amending in certain respects its present charter, and ratifying the present assessment of taxes in said town."

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 546 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 546 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 546 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 546 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fогarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 549:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to relieve the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, and to provide for use of funds appropriated under the budget system, as provided by Chapter 6814, Acts of 1915.

Was taken up.

Mr. Jones moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 549 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 549 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Jones moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 549 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 549 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fогarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King,

Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 550 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 552:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create a Special Drainage District in St. Lucie County, Florida; to create a Board of Drainage Commissioners for said district, prescribing the powers and duties, and providing for the compensation of said Board, and providing for the election and term of office of the said Board, and providing for the assessment of land within the said district to be benefited by the drainage of said land, and providing for the assessment of land that will be benefited by the maintenance and up-keep of such canals, ditches and drains which may have heretofore been constructed on said land; to provide for the collection of the taxes so assessed for such drainage and maintenance purposes of such canals, drains, and ditches, which may have already been constructed within said district, and for other purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 552 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 552 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 552 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 552 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews,

Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 553:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the road fund and other funds of Sub-road District No. 2, of Alachua County, Florida, and touching the duties of the Road Trustees for said district.

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 553 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 553 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 553 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 553 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 554:

A Bill to be entitled An Act allowing Alachua County to issue certificates of indebtedness for not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars to care for the county convicts

until the next budget, and to allow said county to pay interest on certain indebtedness incurred.

Was taken up.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 554 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 554 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 554 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 554 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Anderson, Bill Secretary, was excused on account of illness.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to lay Senate Bill No. 155 on the table.

Which was agreed to.

And the Bill was so placed.

CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL BILLS ON THIRD READING.

House Bill No. 642:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the size of bar and mesh and length of seines fished or used in the salt waters of Escambia County, Florida; providing for the enforcement of this Act and making the violation hereof a misdemeanor.

As amended by the Senate was taken up.

Mr. Jones moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 642 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 642 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—Senator Gornto—1.

So the Bill, as amended, passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

House Bill No. 617:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and direct the Board of County Commissioners of Calhoun County, Florida, to transfer from the road and bridge fund, or other funds, to the fine and forfeiture fund of said county, all money received after October 1, 1917, from the hire of county convicts.

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 617 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 617 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 617 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 617 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod,

MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 624:

A Bill to be entitled An Act reducing the number of membership of the City Council of the City of Ocala to five members; providing for their election and recall by the voters of said city at large; providing for the city manager plan of government of said city; further, abolishing the present Board of Bond Trustees for said city, and providing for a new board to be known as the Sinking Fund Commission of the City of Ocala, and prescribing the membership of said board, their election, powers and duties; to provide for the issuance of bonds and negotiable securities by said city; defining the corporate limits of said city; providing for the office and election of mayor for said city, a city manager, a city clerk and assessor of taxes, chief of police, policemen and such other officers as the Council of said city may provide for; providing for the issuance of special assessment certificates by said city, and for their enforcement and reassessment; providing for a recorder's court in and for said city, and otherwise defining, extending and enlarging the powers of said city, and validating all prior acts thereof.

Was taken up.

Mr. Terrell moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 624 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 624 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Terrell moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 624 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 624 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fo-

garty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 753 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 798:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for election in Election District No. 26, Duval County, Florida, to determine whether cattle, hogs or any other live stock shall run at large within its boundaries, and to provide for impounding of cattle, hogs and any other live stock so running at large.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

Mr. Farris moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 798 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 798 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Calkins, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, Shepard, Terrell, Willis—15.

Nays—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Crawford, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Turner, Wilson—8.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 155:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix the salary of the Judge of the County Court of DeSoto County, Fla.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 155 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 155 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 155 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 155 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Andrews, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 595 was taken up in order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 711:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to repeal an Act entitled "An Act to legalize and validate the election held in Special Tax School District No. 23, DeSoto County, Florida, on the 8th day of January, 1917, and to legalize and validate the issue of special tax school district bonds voted at said election, and in pursuance thereof," approved May 1, 1917.

Was taken up.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 711 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 711 was read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Wilson moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 711 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 711 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWil-

liams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—25.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 713:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the County Board of Public Instruction of the County of Suwannee, State of Florida, to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of retiring the indebtedness of said county.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 713 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 713 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 713 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 713 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 719:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, to connect the Hillsboro Canal and the North New River Canal by canal and road; to issue warrants not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) with which to provide funds for the payment of the cost thereof, the residue, if any, being applicable to the construction of the

road to connect West Palm Beach with Lee County; to fix the rate of interest which the said warrants shall bear, and the period for which they shall run; and to provide for the levy of a tax with which to pay the principal and interest of said warrants.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 719 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 719 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 719 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 719 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 720:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction for the County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, to borrow money for the payment of outstanding school warrants or for the purpose of paying the expenses incurred in operating the schools of Palm Beach County, to pay interest upon said loans not exceeding eight per cent (8%) per annum and to limit the borrowing capacity of said Board.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 720 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 720 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived

and that House Bill No. 720 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 720 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 709:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 7234 of the Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to establish the municipality of Safety Harbor, Florida, to authorize its issuance of bonds, to provide for an organization of a commission form of government, to fix its territorial limits and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 709 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 709 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 709 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 709 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Igou, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—25.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 708:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the catching of fish with seines, gill nets or drag nets in the ponds, lakes, creeks, rivers, or bayous of Pinellas County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 708 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 708 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 708 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 708 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill the vote was:

Yeas — Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornato, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 817:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the drainage and reclamation of certain lands in Volusia County, Florida; establishing Turnbull Hammock Drainage District; creating a Board of Drainage Commissioners and prescribing its powers and duties; levying a drainage tax upon the lands described within said drainage district; providing for the issuance of bonds of said drainage district; conferring the right of eminent domain upon said Board of Drainage Commissioners, and fixing their compensation.

Was taken up.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 817 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 817 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Alexander moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 817 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 817 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornato, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 810:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the County Board of Public Instruction of the County of Nassau, State of Florida, to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of retiring the indebtedness of said Board.

Was taken up.

Mr. Calkins moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 810 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 810 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Calkins moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 810 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 810 was read a third time in full.

Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornato, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.
And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 814 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The motion by Mr. Farris to reconsider the vote by which an amendment to Senate Bill No. 23 was tabled Thursday.

Which amendment reads as follows:

When the words "average weekly wages" appear in the Bill, strike out said words and place in lieu thereof the words "average weekly earnings."

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

The question was put, and the Senate reconsidered its action.

The question recurred upon the motion to adopt the amendment.

The amendment was not agreed to.

And—

Senate Bill No. 23:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to promote the prevention of industrial accidents; to cause provision to be made for adequate medical and surgical care for injured employees; to establish rates of compensation for personal injuries or death sustained by employees in the course of employment; to provide methods for insuring the payment of such compensation; to create an industrial board for the administration of the Act and to prescribe the powers, duties and compensation of such board.

Was taken up.

The following committee amendment was read:

Change number of Section 31 to read Section 30.
Change number of Section 33 to read Section 31.
Change number of Section 34 to read Section 32.
Change number of Section 35 to read Section 33.
Change number of Section 36 to read Section 34.
Change number of Section 37 to read Section 35.
Change number of Section 38 to read Section 36.
Change number of Section 39 to read Section 37.
Change number of Section 40 to read Section 38.
Change number of Section 41 to read Section 39.

Change number of Section 42 to read Section 40.
Change number of Section 43 to read Section 41.
Change number of Section 44 to read Section 42.
Change number of Section 45 to read Section 43.
Change number of Section 46 to read Section 44.
Change number of Section 47 to read Section 45.
Change number of Section 48 to read Section 46.
Change number of Section 49 to read Section 47.
Change number of Section 50 to read Section 48.
Change number of Section 51 to read Section 49.
Change number of Section 52 to read Section 50.
Change number of Section 53 to read Section 51.
Change number of Section 54 to read Section 52.
Change number of Section 55 to read Section 53.
Change number of Section 56 to read Section 54.
Change number of Section 57 to read Section 55.
Change number of Section 58 to read Section 56.
Change number of Section 59 to read Section 57.
Change number of Section 60 to read Section 58.
Change number of Section 61 to read Section 59.
Change number of Section 62 to read Section 60.
Change number of Section 63 to read Section 61.
Change number of Section 64 to read Section 62.
Change number of Section 65 to read Section 63.
Change number of Section 66 to read Section 64.
Change number of Section 67 to read Section 65.
Change number of Section 70 to read Section 66.
Mr. Farris moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Jones offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 23:

In Section 65, line 6, strike out all following the words "Industrial Board" down to the word "acceptable" on line 10.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Oliver offered the following amendment to Section 72, Senate Bill No. 23:

In Section 72 add the following: "Provided, however, that the terms of this Act shall not prevent the insured from further insuring by separate policy or policies which provide liability insurance against single catastrophe hazards, such as boiler explosions, fly wheel explosions, war risks, or against any other single catas-

trophe hazard that the Industrial Board may specify; and provided, further, that the terms of this Act shall not be construed as applying to such policies."

Mr. Oliver moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 23:

In Section 8 (printed Bill) strike out lines 7 and 8.

Mr. Davis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hughlett offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 23:

In Section 9, line 4, after the word "persons," add: "Nor to employers of automobile drivers, or employers of clerks in stores and markets."

Mr. Hughlett moved to adopt the amendment.

Mr. Davis offered the following substitute for Mr. Hughlett's amendment to Senate Bill No. 23:

Strike out Section 9.

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurred upon the adoption of the amendment offered by Mr. Hughlett.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 23:

Strike out Section 16.

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 23:

Strike out Section 20.

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wells offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 23:

Strike out the enacting clause.

Pending the consideration of which—

Mr. Calkins moved that the Senate do now proceed to the consideration of executive business.

And the doors of the Senate Chamber were closed at 12:20 o'clock P. M.

The doors of the Senate Chamber were opened at 1.02 o'clock P. M.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornato, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

A quorum present.

Mr. Willis was excused for the balance of the day.

Mr. Johnson moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess to 4 o'clock P. M. this day.

SUSPENSIONS AND REMOVALS.

The Senate, in Executive Session, on yesterday Thursday, May 24, did advise and consent to the suspension and removal of:

W. H. Nelson, from the office of Justice of the Peace in and for the 13th Justice of the Peace District of Pasco County Fla.

Also advised and consented to the suspension and removal of—

G. A. Stephens, from the office of Justice of the Peace for the 10th Justice of the Peace District in and for Duval County, Fla.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON—4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornato, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver,

Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

A quorum present.

Mr. MacWilliams, chairman of the Special Committee to investigate and report upon Senate Bill No. 89, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee, to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 89, A Bill to be entitled "An Act for the relief of George Lewis, Trustee for the estate of B. C. Lewis, William Bailey, John McDougall and P. B. Brokaw," for the purpose of ascertaining whether it will require the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire Senate to pass such Bill, or a majority thereof so voting.

It is assumed that said Senate Bill No. 89, as ruled by the President of the Senate, is an "Appropriation Bill" in the sense that the same provides for an appropriation:

"Section 11, of Article 16, of the Constitution of the State of Florida is as follows: No extra compensation shall be made to any officer, agent, employe, or contractor after the service shall have been rendered or the contract made; *nor shall any money be appropriated or paid on any claim the subject matter of which shall not have been provided for by pre-existing law, unless such compensation or claim be allowed by bill passed by two-thirds of the members elected to each House of the Legislature.*"

It is manifest to determine the question submitted to your committee to ascertain if there is any "Pre-existing Law" covering the subject matter of the claim as set out in said bill.

The claim in said bill is for pay to the holders and owners of certain certificates of indebtedness issued under Chapter 929, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for the payment of the volunteer Company of Captain Hansford D. Dyches, and other companies therein named," which is as follows:

"Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida in General As-

sembly convened, That the companies of Volunteers commanded by Captain Hansford D. Dyches, Alexander Bell, Aaron Jernigan and James B. Duval, during the Indian disturbances in the year A. D. 1849, and subsequently thereto, be and the same are hereby required to be settled, audited and paid in the same mode and manner and under the same regulations as were other companies, in accordance with the Act approved January 7, A. D. 1853: Provided, That due proof of actual service performed by said companies and the individual members thereof be, in the first instance, made before any accounts shall be audited: Provided, That they be required to furnish such evidence as the Auditor and Comptroller of the State Public Accounts may, in his judgment, require them to produce."

Approved by the Governor, January 5, 1859.

It is the opinion of your committee that the claim as set forth in Senate Bill No. 89 is predicated upon and is covered by Chapter 929, and that such Chapter 929 is such *pre-existing law*, as provided in said Section 11, Article 16, of the Constitution.

Your committee assumes that the services and subsistence for which the claim in Senate Bill No. 89 were rendered and provided, for the reason such claim was recognized by the State and made a basis by it for a claim against the United States, and paid by the United States.

From the investigation your committee has been able to give to the matter submitted to them at the time at their disposal, we find said Senate Bill No. 89 can be passed by the affirmative vote of the majority of the Senate.

Respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,

C. E. DAVIS,

JAMES E. CALKINS,

Committee.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the report.

Which was agreed to.

The Secretary was directed to correct the Journal so as to show that Senate Bill No. 89 "passed" the Senate instead of "failed to pass" and that he be further instructed and directed to certify the Bill to the House of Representatives in accord with this correction of the Journal and the report of the Committee as adopted.

By consent, the following reports were submitted:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 455:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing the State employment of a State Forester by the Board of Control, co-operating with private owners and the Federal Government the acceptance by gift of lands for the State Forest; authorizing the formation of special fire tax districts under the supervision of the State Forester; providing for their administration, levying taxes for their maintenance; providing a penalty for setting fire in such districts, and making an appropriation for the same.

Have had the same under consideration and return it without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 455, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 586:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1950

of the General Statutes of 1906, relating to actions to quiet title to real estate.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 586, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 549:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prevent untruthful advertising in the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 330:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the recording of the names and addresses of all persons engaged in transacting or having an interest in any business operated or conducted under a name other than their own (whether as individuals, members of partnerships or otherwise), and prescribing a penalty for failure to comply with the provisions hereof.

Also—

House Bill No. 559:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 1591, 1592, 1593, 1594, 1595, 1596 and 1597 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the manner of obtaining money for the pay of jurors and witnesses in certain courts of this State.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 575:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix the number, prescribe the terms of office of the Justices of the Supreme Court, and to provide for the appointment of another Justice of said court and to fix his term of office and for the election of his successors, and to prescribe certain regulations for the government of the Supreme Court when sitting in a body or in division.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,
JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bills Nos. 549, 330 and 559 and Senate Bill No. 575, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 202.)

An Act to define riparian rights in relation to lands in Biscayne Bay and to declare the rights of owners of riparian lands on Biscayne Bay, said lands possessed of riparian rights.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 517.)

An Act providing compensation to the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette county, Florida from the Dixie Highway Special Road and Bridge Districts of said Lafayette County, for services rendered in behalf of and relating to said district.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 5.)

An Act to amend An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the organization and management of Mutual Fire Insurance Associations," approved June 1, 1915.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 260.)

An Act amending (Section 3540 (2620), Article 9, General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to obscene prints, pictures and literature.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 202.)

An Act to define riparian rights in relation to lands in Biscayne Bay and to declare the rights of owners of riparian lands on Biscayne Bay, said lands possessed of riparian rights.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 517.)

An Act providing compensation to the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, from the Dixie Highway Special Road and Bridge Districts of said Lafayette County, for services rendered in behalf of and relating to said district.

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Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And that Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 542.)

An Act to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction for the County of Lee, State of Florida, to borrow money for the payment of outstanding school warrants or for purpose of paying the expenses incurred in operating the schools of Lee County to pay interest upon said loans not exceeding eight per cent (8%) per annum and to limit the borrowing capacity of said board.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 128.)

An Act providing for the creation and establishment

of a Florida State Board of Engineering Examiners, granting certain powers to and prescribing the duties of said board; providing for the examination and registration of professional engineers, regulating the practice of engineering in the State of Florida, and providing penalties for the violation of this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 266.)

An Act to license and regulate the running of motor vehicles on the public highways, and to provide for the registration thereof; to fix the amount of annual license to be paid into the State Treasury; to provide for the distribution among the several counties of the fund thus created and the expenditure of same on State and State Aid Roads and Bridges; to provide penalties for the violation of certain sections thereof; to amend Chapter 5437, Acts of 1905, entitled: "An Act regulating the running of automobiles or motor vehicles on the public roads or highways in the State of Florida;" and also to amend Chapter 6881, Acts of 1915, entitled: "An Act to amend Chapter 6212 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, same being entitled, 'An Act to license automobiles and other motor driven vehicles using the public roads or highways of the State of Florida, either for hire or otherwise.'"

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

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Also—

(Senate Bill No. 128.)

An Act providing for the creation and establishment of a Florida State Board of Engineering Examiners, granting certain powers to and prescribing the duties of said board; providing for the examination and registration of professional engineers, regulating the practice of engineering in the State of Florida, and providing penalties for the violation of this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 266.)

An Act to license and regulate the running of motor vehicles on the public highways, and to provide for the registration thereof; to fix the amount of annual license to be paid into the State Treasury; to provide for the distribution among the several counties of the fund thus created and the expenditure of same on State and State aid roads and bridges; to provide penalties for the violation of certain sections thereof; to amend Chapter 5437, Acts of 1905, entitled: "An Act regulating the running of automobiles or motor vehicles on the public roads or highways in the State of Florida;" and also to amend Chapter 6881, Acts of 1915, entitled: "An Act to amend Chapter 6212 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, same being entitled, 'An Act to license automobiles and other motor-driven vehicles using the public roads or highways of the State of Florida, either for hire or otherwise.'"

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills; to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 780.)

An Act creating Napoleon B. Broward Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of the same, authorizing the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act and to provide a penalty for violating such provision.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,
J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Act contained therein was referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 780.)

An Act creating Napoleon B. Broward Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of the same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provision.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Act contained in the above report was ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 780.)

An Act creating Napoleon B. Broward Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of the same, and the sale of lands to enforce said

collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provision.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Calkins, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 503:

A Bill to be entitled An Act validating deeds of conveyance made by the Florida Mortgage and Investment Company, Limited.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

JAMES E. CALKINS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 503, contained in the above report was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

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Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 558:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3559 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, providing what record of the result of the canvass of the returns of the election shall be taken as *prima facie* evidence that an election was legally held in any county or precinct against the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors in such county or precinct.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 558, contained in the above report, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The consideration of Senate Bill No. 23 was resumed, the amendment offered by Mr. Wells to "strike out the Enacting Clause," pending.

The question was put upon the adoption of the amendment.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Davis, Greene, Igou, King, McEachern, McLeod, Middleton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Wilson—12.

Nays—Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Hughlett, Jones, Mathis, MacWilliams, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Shepard—16.

So the amendment was not agreed to.

And the Bill as amended was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The motion of Mr. Igou to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 166 passed the Senate was taken up in its order.

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The question was put and the Senate reconsidered its action in passing the Bill.

Mr. Igou moved that the Senate be directed to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate House Bill No. 166 for further consideration.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Terrell moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now proceed to consider Messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed, with amendments—

Senate Bill No. 558:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3559 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida.

House Amendments:

(1) After the words "Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida," insert: "Section 1. That Section 3559 of the General Statutes of 1906 be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows."

(2) Add to the title thereof the following: "Providing what record of the result of the canvass of the returns of the election shall be taken as *prima facie* evidence that an election was legally held in any county or precinct against the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors in such county or precinct."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 558, contained in the above mes-

sage, together with amendments of the House of Representatives thereto, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Moore moved that the Senate concur in the first amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 558 as contained in the foregoing message.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Moore moved that the Senate concur in the second amendment of the House to Senate Bill No. 558 as contained in the foregoing message.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 558, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 140:

A Bill to be entitled An Act forbidding insurance companies or associations and bonding companies, lawfully doing business in the State of Florida from requesting or permitting their agents in this State to divide or offer to divide their commissions except as allowed by this Act, and fixing penalties for the violations of this Act

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 140, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 330:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the use of seines, haul or drag nets for catching fish in fresh waters, rivers, creeks, etc., of Clay and St. Johns Counties, Florida.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed by the Constitutional three-fifths vote—

House Joint Resolution No. 26:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1, of Article XVII of the Constitution of the State of Florida relating to amendments.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

That the following amendment to Section 1, Article XVII of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to amendments, is hereby agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of the State for adoption or rejection at the next general election of Representatives, to be held in the year A. D. 1918; that is to say, that Section 1, of Article XVII of the Constitution of the State of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. Either branch of the Legislature, at a

regular session thereof, may propose amendments to this Constitution; and if the same be agreed to by three-fifths of all the members elected to each house, such proposed amendments shall be entered upon their respective journals with the yeas and nays, and published in one newspaper in each county where a newspaper is published, once a week for four consecutive weeks immediately preceding the next general election of Representatives, at which election the same shall be submitted to the electors of the State for approval or rejection. If a majority of the electors voting upon the amendments at such election shall adopt the amendments the same shall become a part of the Constitution. The proposed amendments shall be so submitted as to enable the electors to vote on each amendment separately.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Joint Resolution No. 26, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read—

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 25, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 790:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 9 of Chapter 6456, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida; Section 10 of Chapter 6456, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6957, Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida; Section 12 of Chapter 6456, Acts of 1913, Laws of Flor-

ida; Sections 16 and 17 of Chapter 6456, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6957, Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida; and Section 20 of Chapter 6456, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida; relating to the creation of Everglades Drainage District of the State of Florida, defining its boundaries and prescribing its powers, and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes and assessments upon the lands in said district for the purpose of draining and reclaiming the said lands and carrying into effect the provisions of said Act.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 790, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 790 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 790 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 790 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 790 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Wilson—27.

Nays—Senator Andrews—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 364 was taken up in its order and the consideration of the same was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 426:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to establish a State.

Museum at the University of Florida and a natural history and ethnological survey of the State of Florida.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Roland moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 426 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 426 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(Senate Bill No. 542.)

An Act to authorize the County Board of Public Instruction for the County of Lee, State of Florida, to borrow money for the payment of outstanding school warrants or for purpose of paying the expenses incurred in operating the schools of Lee County to pay interest upon said loans not exceeding eight per cent (8%) per annum and to limit the borrowing capacity of said Board.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 128.)

An Act providing for the creation and establishment of a Florida State Board of Engineering Examiners, granting certain powers to and prescribing the duties of said Board; providing for the examination and registration of professional engineers, regulating the practice of engineering in the State of Florida, and providing penalties for the violation of this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 266.)

An Act to license and regulate the running of motor

vehicles on the public highways, and to provide for the registration thereof; to fix the amount of annual license to be paid into the State Treasury; to provide for the distribution among the several counties of the fund thus created and the expenditure of same on State and State Aid roads and bridges; to provide penalties for the violation of certain sections thereof; to amend Chapter 5437, Acts of 1905, entitled "An Act regulating the running of automobiles or motor vehicles on the public roads or highways in the State of Florida;" and also to amend Chapter 6881, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 6212 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, same being entitled 'An Act to license automobiles and other motor-driven vehicles using the public roads or highways of the State of Florida, either for hire or otherwise.'"

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 202.)

An Act to define riparian rights in relation to lands in Biscayne Bay and to declare the rights of owners of riparian lands on Biscayne Bay, said lands possessed of riparian rights.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 517.)

An Act providing compensation to the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, from the Dixie Highway Special Road and Bridge Districts of said Lafayette County, for services rendered in behalf of and relating to said district.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 5.)

An Act to amend An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the organization and management of Mutual Fire Insurance Associations," approved June 1, 1915.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 260.)

An Act amending Section 3540 (2620), Article 9, General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to obscene prints, pictures and literature.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

The President announced that he was also about to sign—

(House Bill No. 780.)

An Act creating Napoleon B. Broward Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of the same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provision.

The Act was therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

Senate Bill No. 431:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for the organization and election of County Boards of Public Instruction, and fixing their compensation.

Was taken up and was read the second time in full.

There being no amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 431 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 225:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require County Boards of Public Instruction to advertise for bids for public work, and for furnishing school supplies in certain cases, and providing a penalty for failure to advertise for bids.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 225:

In Section 1, line 6, strike out the words one hundred (\$100.00) dollars and insert in lieu thereof the following: Three hundred (\$300.00) dollars.

Mr. Mathis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 225:

In Section 1, line 9, insert after word "bids" the following:

"In some newspaper of general circulation in the county."

Mr. Mathis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Mathis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 225:

In Section 4, line 1, add Section 4, as follows:

Section 4. This Act shall take effect upon its becoming a law.

Mr. Mathis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 225:

In Section 1, line 13, add the following:

"Provided that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to copyrighted goods."

Mr. Terrell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Terrell offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 225:

In Section 1, line 13, add the following:

"Provided that the provisions of this Act shall not apply to copyrighted goods."

Mr. Mathis moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 225, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

By request of Mr. Gornto, Senate Bill No. 419, which was laid on the table under the rule, was restored to the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

Senate Bill No. 521:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act (Chapter 6834 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915), authorizing the State School Book Commission of the State of Florida to extend the time limit of five years for renewing contracts for purchase of school text-books to July 1, 1919, and for other purposes.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 521 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 521 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Shepard, Turner, Wells,—24.

Nays—Senators Gornto, Terrell, Wilson—3.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. King moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M., Saturday, May 26, 1917.

CONFIRMATIONS.

C. T. Frecker of Tampa, Ed. M. Earnest of Palatka and J. E. Graves of DeFuniak Springs to be members of the State Board of Health until June 3, 1921.

W. S. Graham, to be Judge of the Criminal Court of Record for Hillsborough County for four years from May 19, 1917.

A. G. Campbell, to be Circuit Judge for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 10, 1917.

E. C. Love, to be Circuit Judge for the Second Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 10, 1917.

George Couper Gibbs, to be Circuit Judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from July 3, 1917.

W. S. Bullock, to be Circuit Judge for the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 10, 1917.

O. K. Reaves, to be Circuit Judge for the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 2, 1917.

D. J. Jones, to be Circuit Judge for the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 10, 1917.

John S. Edwards, to be Circuit Judge for the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 10, 1917.

H. Pierre Braunning, to be Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 10, 1917.

F. M. Robles, to be Circuit Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 30, 1917.

C. L. Wilson, to be Judge of the Circuit Court for the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida for six years from June 2, 1917.

R. A. McGeachy, to be State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida for four years from June 6, 1917.

Geo. W. Walker, to be State Attorney for the Second Judicial Circuit of Florida for four years from May 24, 1917.

F. L. Dancy, to be State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida for four years from July 12, 1917.

M. A. McMullen, to be State Attorney for the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida for four years from June 2, 1917.

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Ira A. Hutchinson, to be State Attorney for the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida for the term of four years from June 3, 1917.

H. C. Gordon, to be State Attorney for the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida for four years from June 2, 1917.

R. H. Buford, to be State Attorney for the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida for four years from June 3, 1917.

T. P. Warlow, to be Judge of the Criminal Court of Record of Orange County for four years from June 9, 1917.

R. P. Hamlin, to be Judge of the Criminal Court of Record of Volusia County for four years from May 19, 1917.

W. L. Tilden, to be County Solicitor of Orange County for four years from May 17, 1917.

SUSPENSIONS AND REMOVALS.

The Senate refused to advise and consent to the suspension or removal of J. C. Swindell as County Commissioner of District 5 for Polk County.

Saturday, May 26, 1917.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

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A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journals of May 24 and 25 were corrected and approved as corrected.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed under Senate Resolution No. 23, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 26, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee appointed under Senate Resolution No. 23 beg leave to report as follows:

The committee has fully investigated the records of the Enrolling Clerk and Secretary of the Senate in regard to Senate Bill No. 257 and find from the records of the Enrolling Clerk that said Senate Bill No. 257 was received for by W. P. Bevis, Stenographer to the Governor, on May 12, 1917.

We further find that the communication bearing the veto of the Governor, dated May 15, 1917, together with Senate Bill No. 257, was returned to the Senate on the afternoon of May 18, 1917. In accordance with the provisions in the Constitution, the Bill was returned within the constitutional five days' period.

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,
DOYLE CARLTON,
JOHN L. MOORE,
Committee.

Which report was adopted and the Committee discharged.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. J. M. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report: